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COMPRISING SILVER-CONTAINING

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Identification of Person Making This Disclaimer

I, William S. Parks, represent that I am the attorney of record for this invention.

Identification of Assignee And Title of Disclaimant

The assignee is Milliken & Company, 920 Milliken Road, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29303.

The title of the disclaimant, authorized to sign on behalf of assignee, is Patent Counsel.

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Extent of Assignee's Interest

The extent of the interest in this invention that the assignee owns is in the whole of this invention.

Recordal of Assignment in PTO

The assignment was recorded on April 24, 2002, Reel 012844, Frame 0294.

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37 § 1.20(d)

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